NEW ORLEANS, AF-CAP LIAISON OFFICE
Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol, USAF (ConAC)
1723 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans 12, Louisiana

30 January 1959

SUBJECT: Report of Staff Visit, New Orleans Cadet Squadron

TO: Commander
Louisiana Wing, Civil Air Patrol
1723 Masonic Temple Bldg.
New Orleans 12, La.

I. AUTHORITY AND AGENCY VISITED:

1. Under the provisions of HOI 20-2, dated 12 August 1955, paragraph 6h, as amended, Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol, USAF(ConAC) a Staff Visit to the New Orleans Cadet Squadron, Louisiana Wing, Civil Air Patrol was conducted 30 January 1959 by Major Edward W. Christiansen, Jr., and Staff Sergeant Frederick W. Sidman of the office of the New Orleans AF-CAP Liaison Office, Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol, USAF(ConAC), Louisiana Wing, Civil Air Patrol.

2. Visit was also conducted through the invitation and request of Major Robert E. Morrell, CAP, Commander of the New Orleans Cadet Squadron.

II. GENERAL REMARKS:

A. Personnel

NAME	RANK	TITLE	ASSIGNED
Robert E. Morrell	Major	Commander	8 Jan 58
Forrest H. Hawkins	2nd Lt.	Chaplain	16 May 58
Ralph W. Napier	S/M	Unknown	1 Oct 58
Alvin C. Miester	S/M	Unknown	10 Mar 58
Kenneth L. Moore	S/M	Unknown	10 Mar 58
Genter L. Stephens	S/M	Unknown	1 Jan 59

1. Personnel cited in preceding paragraph were found extremley interested in the Civil Air Patrol program and especially that of the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program.

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2. It was noted that Mr. David W. Ferrie is issued a temporary ID Card dated 8 December 1958 signed by Major Robert E. Morrell, CAP, Commander of this squadron upon accepting Mr. David W. Ferrie's application for membership. In checking with the Deputy for Personnel, Lt. Colonel Jeannette M. De Jarnette, CAP, Wing Headquarters that subject individuals application has not been processed for membership and CAP Form 12 and attached papers are in the possession of the Deputy Commander, Louisiana Wing, Lt. Colonel Joseph G. Ehrlicher, CAP.

3. It was further noted that Mr. David W. Ferrie was in a Civil Air Patrol fatigue uniform, wearing a service cap with a CAP Officer's Insignia. His uniform was further incomplete as it did not display the Civil Air Patrol breast patch.

4. In checking with the Deputy for Personnel, Lt. Colonel Jeannette M. De Jarnette, CAP, Wing Headquarters on the above personnel it is an established fact that the following members have not yet submitted Phase I examinations: 2nd Lt.(Chaplain) Forrest H. Hawkins, S/M Alvin C. Miester and S/M Kenneth L. Moore.

B. Administration

1. The New Orleans Cadet Squadron is located in Room 126, New Orleans Municipal Airport Terminal Building(Lakefront), New Orleans, Louisiana. The squadron consists of three very small rooms which are inadequate for the size of the squadron.

2. CAP Forms 66 Cadet Records were not completely posted up to date. (Mr. David W. Ferrie indicated they were being reaccomplished from locally reproduced CAP Forms 66.)

3. CAP Regulations were not posted or up to date, many of the CAPR's were lying inside the binder not properly filed. CAP Form 8 Requisition for Publications was not available showing that subject items had been ordered. (Mr. David W. Ferrie indicated that CAP Form 8 could not be produced since the person responsible was not available at time of this visit.)

4. Spot check of supply account showed a small quantity of supplies and equipment were on hand this organization through Issue Slips. (Did not make a physical inventory or check supply administration in accordance with CAPR 65-1 and 65-3.)

C. Communications

Communications facilities are inoperative as it is not licensed. (Mr. David W. Ferrie indicated that members of the squadron were planning a trip to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to approach Major Stanley Preston, Deputy for Communications on this matter.)

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D. Supply

See paragraph 4, item B this report.

E. Transportation

Squadron does not possess a CAP corporate owned vehicle.

F. Training

1. Visitation of two classes in the Avaition Education Studies revealed the following:

(a) Navigation Class - very small room crowding an estimated twenty cadets and two instructors. Most of the cadets had to stand or squat as there was no room for additional seats.

(1) Observation of class procedures and instructors ability appeared adequate, however, further observations would be required in order to form a true opinion as to whether the text and allied requirements were in conformance with Civil Air Patrol procedures.

(b) Aircraft Recognition - class was formed of all female cadets meeting in the stair-well to the second floor of the terminal building. Attendance to this class is estimated at fourteen female cadets.

(1) See item F "Training" paragraph 1(a),(1).

2. Mr. David W. Ferrie indicated that squadron was behind approximately 138 cadet orientation flights at the time of this visit.

3. Through a discussion of the training program of the squadron it was revealed that cadets who felt they could study the Aviation Study Series by themselves were permitted to acquire the material for their individual home study and when they felt capable of taking the examinations were permitted to do so. Major Morrell and Mr. David Ferrie admitted that seven cadets had just taken the examinations after these conditions were met and that five cadets had failed and two passed. Major Morrell and Mr. David Ferrie indicated that this practice was being discontinued.

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4. Drill Instruction - the cadet drill period was observed and found in accordance with AFM 50-14. Cadets were divided into three separate components for drill instruction as follows:

(a) Recruit Drill, consisting of the basic face movements, etc.)

(b) Intermediate Drill, for those cadets not proficient in the rudiments of drill to be on the squadron drill team.

(c) Squadron Drill team, giving instruction in drill rudiments for exactness and precision drill, leading to competition in Wing, Regional and National Drill meets.

III. SUMMARY:

1. Seven (7) senior members were present at this squadron meeting.

2. Eighty-three (83) cadet members were also present, six (6) of which were propective cadets.

3. Technical Sergeant Johnie L. Black of the New Orleans Air Force Recruiting Office was present at this meeting. This sergeant is devoting his free time in teaching the cadets of this squadron the rudiments of drill and grooming them for competition in the forthcoming drill meets.

4. This squadron is considered as satisfactory in its performance of the Civil Air Patrol mission and that of the cadet program.

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